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I was reaching for the Moon

HOLLY WILSON'S NOTHING BUT A CHEAP LITTLE SALESGIRL! I WAS A SAP TO WASTE MY TIME ON HER!

WHAT DID YOU EXPECT TO FIND IN A TEN CENT STORE?



Perhaps Tom Hunter was not the handsome, romantic lover I had met in my most thrilling daydreams! But my heart was hungry for love, and from the moment I met Tom, he became my idol! Too late, I awakened from my dream world! Too late I faced the humiliating reality that while Tom accepted my eager, ardent kisses, my love was not wanted!

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Kessler's 5 and 10 was hardly a romantic spot! Yet to me the presence of its manager made it heaven!

THIS COUNTER COULD STAND DUSTING, MISS WILSON! AND YOU'LL FIND MORE OF THOSE BOWLS SETS DOWN IN THE STOCK-ROOM!

YES, MR. HUNTER!

OLD SIMON LEGREE! WHAT DO YOU SEE IN THAT SLAVE-DRIVER, HOLLY?

I DON'T KNOW, ADA! AFTER ALL, HE'S JUST DOING HIS JOB... AND I CAN'T HELP BEING CRAZY ABOUT HIM!

HE CERTAINLY KNOWS HE'S BOSS! TALKS TO THE COMMON HERD LIKE WE WERE HIS SERVANTS, BUT JUST LISTEN TO HIM TURN ON THE CHARM WHEN HE TALKS TO SOME-BODY HIGHER UP!

MAYBE ADA WOULD SEE TOM IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT IF SHE LOVED HIM THE WAY I DO!

Actually I was the only employee in the store who didn't grumble about Tom Hunter! Danny Mowbray, our stock-room manager, shared Ada's attitude!

SO HIS NIBS IS COMPLAINING AGAIN, EH? HERE, LET'S SEE THAT LIST!

WHAT IN THE WORLD DO YOU HAVE AGAINST THE BOSS, DANNY!

PULL UP A CHAIR! IT MAY TAKE SOME TIME TO ENUMERATE ALL THE REASONS! FIRST HE'S A SNOB! AND I HATE SNOBS!

WELL, HE ISN'T SUPPOSED TO MINGLE WITH THE EMPLOYEES!

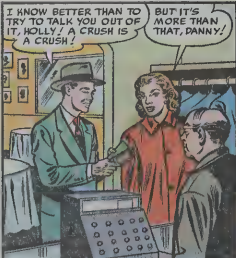
HE'S A TWO-BIT FLUNKY AND HE'S GOT AN EXECUTIVE COMPLEX! WHY, HE WOULDN'T EVEN DATE A GIRL IF HE DIDN'T THINK SHE WAS IMPORTANT TO HIS CAREER!

OH, I DON'T KNOW!

WELL, YOU OUGHTA KNOW! YOU'VE TRIED TO GET HIM TO NOTICE YOU!

FOR THAT, DAN, I OUGHT TO LET YOU HAVE LUNCH ALONE TODAY! AND I WOULD, TOO, IF I WASN'T BROKE AND IT WASN'T TWO DAYS BEFORE PAYDAY!

Somehow, I couldn't be angry with Danny, despite the things he said about the man I loved! We were the best of friends, and I found myself confiding in him like a Dutch uncle!



I KNOW BETTER THAN TO TRY TO TALK YOU OUT OF IT, HOLLY! A CRUSH IS A CRUSH!

BUT IT'S MORE THAN THAT, DANNY!

I REALLY LOVE TOM! IF I EVER DARED TO HOPE...

SAY NO MORE! I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL!



DO YOU DANNY? I WONDER!

THINK I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT MEANS TO LOVE SOMEONE MORE THAN LIFE, AND KNOW YOU DON'T STAND A CHANCE?

DON'T TELL ME YOU HAVE A SECRET LOVE, DANNY!

I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS A SECRET, HONEY! IT'S YOU!



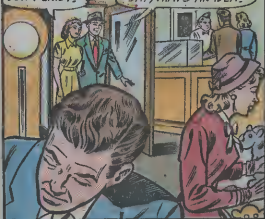
I'M... SORRY, DANNY! YOU KNOW I THINK THE WORLD OF YOU, BUT...

DON'T APOLOGIZE, HOLLY! IT'S FATE! HERE WE ARE, BOTH OF US MISERABLE, AND NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT IT!



AT LEAST I DON'T TREAT YOU LIKE YOU DON'T EXIST!

TOM HUNTER WOULD KNOW YOU EXISTED IF... SAY, THAT'S AN IDEA!



HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE SWEEPED OFF YOUR FEET BY THAT DREAM MAN OF YOURS? I COULD ALMOST PROMISE YOU A DATE WITH HIM!

DON'T BE SILLY, DANNY! I'LL HAVE TO BE CONTENT WITH DAY-DREAMING ABOUT HIM!



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I laughed off Danny's 'guarantee' and had completely forgotten about it a few days later when...



ER...LEAVING LATE, AREN'T YOU, HOLLY?

I HAD TROUBLE WITH MY BANK, MR. HUNTER! BUT IT'S ALL STRAIGHTENED OUT NOW!

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I BET YOU'RE EXHAUSTED! I KNOW I'M READY TO RELAX OVER A LEISURELY DINNER, HOW 'BOUT YOU?

IT WON'T BE VERY LEISURELY! I HATE HAVING DINNER DOWNTOWN ALONE, AND I LIVE WAY OUT IN CRESCENT HEIGHTS!



THEN DO THE LOGICAL THING! HAVE DINNER WITH ME!

WHY, MR. HUNTER! THAT'S VERY THOUGHTFUL OF YOU!

Suddenly, miraculously, my dreams became reality! I was alone with Tom...listening to words I had never dreamed would fall from his lips!



STRANGE, THE WAY I NEVER NOTICED BEFORE HOW LOVELY YOU ARE, HOLLY!

YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN TOO BUSY TO NOTICE ANYTHING BUT THE DUST ON MY COUNTER!



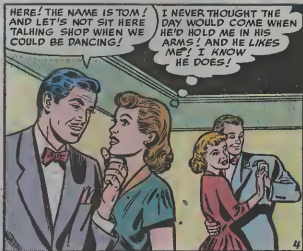
I HOPE YOU DON'T RESENT ME FOR THAT! I TAKE THE STORE SERIOUSLY...HOPE TO HAVE A VARIETY CHAIN OF MY OWN SOMEDAY!

YOU ARE AMBITIOUS! WON'T THAT TAKE A LOT OF MONEY?



I'M HOPING TO FIND SOMEONE INTERESTED ENOUGH TO MAKE THE INVESTMENT! ABOUT ALL I CAN OFFER IS EXPERIENCE AND DRIVE!

I'LL KEEP MY FINGERS CROSSED FOR YOU, MR. HUNTER!

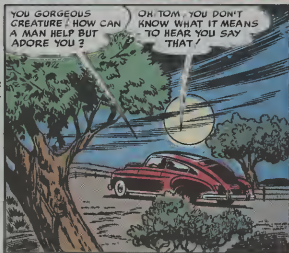
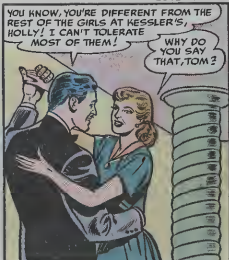


HERE! THE NAME IS TOM! AND LET'S NOT SIT HERE TALKING SHOP WHEN WE COULD BE DANCING!

I NEVER THOUGHT THE DAY WOULD COME WHEN HE'D HOLD ME IN HIS ARMS! AND HE LIKES ME! I KNOW HE DOES!

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I was too thrilled, just being near Tom, to notice his overwhelming conceit or the obvious effort he made to flatter and fawn over me!



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Tom seemed to be impressed with the lovely home in which I lived, and I didn't bother to tell him I shared a room with my aunt, who worked there as a housekeeper! And I was too thrilled to wonder about his sudden interest in me!



HE SAID HE ADORED ME! HE WANTS TO TAKE ME OUT AGAIN TOMORROW NIGHT! I DON'T BELIEVE IT'S REALLY TRUE!

And the next day...
SO MR. BIG FINALLY CAME OFF HIS HIGH HORSE, EH?

AND WE HAVE A DATE TONIGHT! I'LL LEAVE THIS IN MY LOCKER AND DO A QUICK CHANGE AT CLOSING TIME!



THE GUY WHO SAID LOVE IS BLIND CERTAINLY SAID A MOUTHFUL! YOU MUST HAVE HAD A DIVINE EVENING, LISTENING TO HIS HIGHNESS TALK ABOUT HIMSELF!

YAH! YOU'RE JUST JEALOUS BECAUSE YOU AREN'T IN LOVE!



I was too excited to have lunch at twelve! Instead, I walked over to Baker Park, where I would be alone to think about the wonderful evening ahead of me!

I'LL WEAR THE BLACK TAFETTA I BROUGHT DOWN THIS MORNING. TOM'S NEVER SEEN ME IN ANYTHING BUT THE BULL THINGS I WEAR AROUND THE STORE!



I HAD AN IDEA I'D FIND YOU HERE! S'MATTER, DON'T BE GETTING TOO RITZY TO HAVE LUNCH WITH THE LESSER EMPLOYEES?

DANNY! DON'T BE SILLY! I JUST... WANTED SOME FRESH AIR!



I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE REFLECTING ON WHAT YOU LEARNED LAST NIGHT!

LAST NIGHT? HOW DID YOU KNOW?



DIDN'T I TELL YOU I'D FIX YOU UP WITH A DATE?

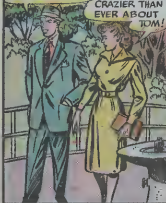
OH, DANNY, DON'T EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE THAT! IT WAS QUITE A COINCIDENCE, BUT THIS DATE HAPPENED TO BE TOM'S IDEA!



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HAVE IT YOUR WAY, SUGAR! ANYWAY, I'LL BET THE EVENING WAS AN EYE-OPENER!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN, DANNY! BUT I DO KNOW I'M CRAZIER THAN EVER ABOUT TOM!



YOU DON'T MEAN THAT, HOLLY?

OF COURSE I DO! HE'S WONDERFUL! OH, DANNY, IT WAS LIKE A DREAM COME TRUE!



WELL, I'LL BE DARNED! I FIGURED ONE EVENING WITH THAT BAG OF CONCEIT WOULD CURE YOUR CHILDISH INFATUATION! BUT YOU'RE TOO MUCH IN THE CLOUDS TO SEE THROUGH HIS ACT, AREN'T YOU?



I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, BUT YOU'RE BEING VERY PETTY! JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE JEALOUS OF TOM, YOU...

YOU ARE A LITTLE FOOL, HOLLY! I BLIND, NAIVE, GULLIBLE LITTLE FOOL!



I'LL THANK YOU TO MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS, DAN!

OKAY! SO I'LL MIND MY OWN BUSINESS! JUST DON'T SAY I DIDN'T WARN YOU!



As Danny stormed away, quite unexpectedly, I found myself crying!

I WISH DAN DIDN'T LOVE ME! I HATE TO LOSE HIS FRIENDSHIP... AND YET, WHY MUST HE BE SO UNREASONABLE ABOUT TOM?



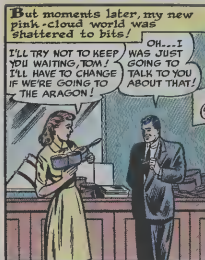
Some-how, my regret over the quarrel with Dan overshadowed my anticipation of the exciting evening with Tom!

I CAN'T LET DANNY UPSET ME THIS WAY! I LOVE TOM AND NO ONE ELSE MATTERS ANYMORE!



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But moments later, my new pink-cloud world was shattered to bits!

I'LL TRY NOT TO KEEP YOU WAITING, TOM! I'LL HAVE TO CHANGE IF WE'RE GOING TO THE ARAGON!

OH...I WAS JUST GOING TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THAT!



I WON'T BE ABLE TO MAKE IT TONIGHT!

I...I'M SORRY, TOM! IF YOU'RE BUSY, I SUPPOSE ONE EVENING'S AS GOOD AS THE NEXT!



I SUPPOSE SO! BY THE WAY, THIS COUNTER LOOKS LIKE A CYCLONE HIT IT! YOU AND ADA CAN GET BUSY AND STRAIGHTEN IT OUT DURING THE SLACK HOUR INSTEAD OF STANDING AROUND AND GABBING!

Tom's Brusque manner and the way he made it obvious that there would be no more dates, left me stunned!

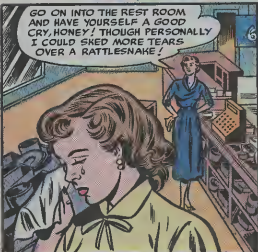
OF ALL THE NASTY... WHY, IF I WERE YOU, I'D HAVE BOPPED HIM WITH THE FIRST THING I LAID HANDS ON!

I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT! HE... TALKED TO ME LIKE I... WAS SOMETHING CONTEMPTIBLE!



OH, ADA, I'M SO MISERABLE! SOBS: WHY DID HE LEAD ME ON? WHY DID I LET HIM MAKE LOVE TO ME?

HE LED YOU ON BECAUSE HE'S A HEEL AND YOU LET HIM BECAUSE YOU'RE A LOVESICK NINNY!



GO ON INTO THE REST ROOM AND HAVE YOURSELF A GOOD CRY, HONEY! THOUGH PERSONALLY I COULD SKED MORE TEARS OVER A RATTLESNAKE!

Sick with disappointment and humiliation, I was yet to stagger under the final blow!

SAY, MOWBRAY, YOU CERTAINLY GAVE ME A BUM STEER ON THAT WILSON GIRL!

NO!

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WHERE'D YOU GET THE IDEA SHE WAS ONE OF THE CHEMICAL COMPANY WILSONS? I CHECKED AROUND THIS MORNING, AND SHE'S NO MORE AN HEIRESS THAN YOUR AUNT MAUDE!

IS THAT RIGHT?



FUNNY, I HEARD SHE GOT BORED WITH LIFE AND DECIDED TO TRY WORKING FOR A LIVING! MUST BE THE WRONG HOLLY WILSON!

MUST BE! SO I GET STUCK FOR A WHOLE EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT FOR A SALESGIRL!



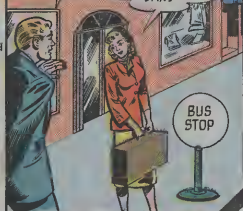
SOBE! AND I THOUGHT I LOVED HIM! HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT LOVE MEANS! SOBE!



I left the store early, determined never to go back! And as I waited for my bus...

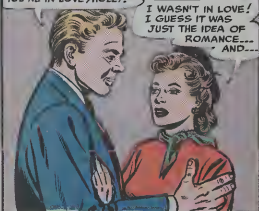
HOLLY! I'VE GOT TO TALK TO YOU!

WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY TO EACH OTHER, DAN!



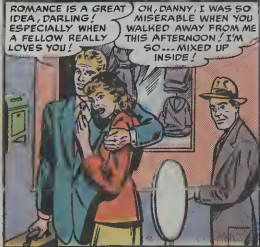
I KNOW! IT WAS A DIRTY TRICK, BUT HOW ELSE WOULD YOU HAVE LEARNED WHAT A ROTTER HE IS? YOU CAN'T REASON WHEN YOU'RE IN LOVE, HOLLY!

I WASN'T IN LOVE! I GUESS IT WAS JUST THE IDEA OF ROMANCE... AND...



ROMANCE IS A GREAT IDEA, DARLING! ESPECIALLY WHEN A FELLOW REALLY LOVES YOU!

OH, DANNY, I WAS SO MISERABLE WHEN YOU WALKED AWAY FROM ME THIS AFTERNOON! I'M SO... MIXED UP INSIDE!



IF I CAN CONFUSE YOU AND MAKE YOU MISERABLE, HONEY, THEN THERE'S HOPE FOR ME! YOU'LL LEARN TO LOVE ME, HOLLY! I'LL SEE THAT YOU DO!

I COULD LEARN, DAN! SO EASILY... NOW!

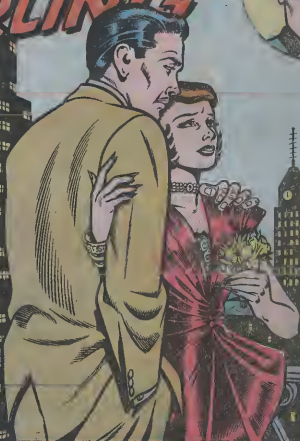


Perhaps I didn't have to learn! For as Dan's arms closed around me, it seemed that I had always loved him! And this time, love was no rosy day-dream... it was real!

WAIT FOR ME, DARLING



Was MY LOVE FOR RUSH LARIMORE BASED ONLY ON THE FACT THAT WE HAD BEEN CHILDHOOD SWEETHEARTS AND THAT WE SHARED A FLOOD OF MEMORIES THAT WOULD ALWAYS BIND US CLOSE TOGETHER? OR WAS IT THE KIND OF LOVE THAT ENDURED, NO MATTER WHAT OBSTACLES ARE THROWN IN ITS WAY? I WOULD NEVER HAVE KNOWN IF ANOTHER MAN'S ARMS HAD NOT LURED ME AWAY FROM RUSH AND IF MY HEART HAD NOT BEEN TORN BETWEEN PITY AND DESIRE!



Not THAT THERE WAS ANY QUESTION IN MY MIND AS RUSH LARIMORE AND I PLANNED OUR FUTURE TOGETHER!

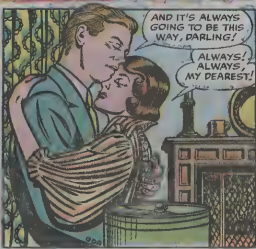
TELL ME YOU'RE HAPPY, BETTY! THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS TO ME IN THIS WORLD!

OH, RUSH, OF COURSE I'M HAPPY! WHEN I'M CLOSE TO YOU LIKE THIS... NOW CAN I HELP BUT BE HAPPY?



AND IT'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE THIS WAY, DARLING!

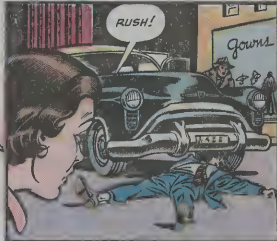
ALWAYS! ALWAYS, MY DEAREST!



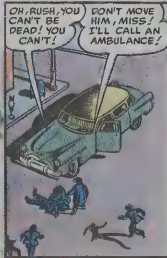
PERHAPS WE WERE TOO HAPPY, FOR A FEW DAYS LATER, FATE CHANGED OUR HAPPINESS TO HEART-BREAK!



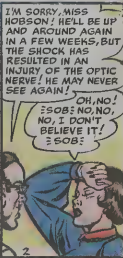
My HEAD BRIMMING WITH EXCITEMENT, I STEPPED INTO THE STREET, UNCONSCIOUS OF THE CAR THAT SPED AROUND THE CORNER! AND THEN...



Rush HAD PUSHED ME OUT OF THE WAY, TO SAFETY... BUT HIS HEROIC EFFORT LEFT HIM LYING ON THE STREET, LIMP AND OMINOUSLY SILENT!



Rush's INJURIES WERE NOT AS SERIOUS AS I HAD FEARED! BUT WHEN HE REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS THE NEXT MORNING!



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And with BRUTAL SUDDENNESS, MY GLORIOUS DREAMS CHANGED TO A TERRIFYING NIGHTMARE!

DR. BANNING SEEMS TO THINK THE ANDOVER CLINIC IN ST. LOUIS IS MY ONLY HOPE! BUT TREATMENT THERE MIGHT TAKE A YEAR... MAYBE MORE!

IT DOESN'T MATTER, RUSH, IF YOU REGAIN YOUR SIGHT! NOTHING ELSE IS IMPORTANT NOW!

BUT...WE COULD BE MARRIED BEFORE YOU GO! I...I COULD FIND A JOB NEAR THE CLINIC AND...

NO, BETTY! I COULDN'T ASK YOU TO DO THAT! JUST... WAIT FOR ME, DARLING!

OH, RUSH, I'D WAIT FOREVER! SOB! I LOVE YOU SO!

DON'T, BETTY! PLEASE DON'T CRY! EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT!

RUSH LEFT FOR ST. LOUIS THE NEXT AFTERNOON, AND AFTER THAT, I LOST COUNT OF THE NIGHTS I CRIED MYSELF TO SLEEP!

SOB! WE WOULD HAVE BEEN MARRIED NOW! EVERYTHING WAS SO WONDERFUL... AND NOW SOB! OH, RUSH, I'M SO LONELY AND MISERABLE!

THE LETTERS FROM RUSH WERE ALL THAT KEPT ME GOING!

...AND THE DOCTORS ARE VERY ENCOURAGING! KEEP LOVING ME, SWEETHEART, AND HAVE FAITH! YOURS WITH ALL MY LOVE! ---RUSH!

HE'S SO BRAVE AND CONFIDENT! I HAVEN'T THE RIGHT TO COMPLAIN ABOUT BEING LONELY, WHEN...HE'S SO TERRIBLY ALONE AND HELPLESS!

BUT THERE CAME A DAY WHEN RUSH'S LETTERS WERE NOT ENOUGH, AND MY CRAVING FOR COMPANIONSHIP BECAME UN-BEARABLE!

HEY! IT'S QUITTING TIME, BETTY... OR ARE YOU BUCKING FOR A RAISE?

NO, I...IT'S JUST THAT I'D AS SOON BE WORKING AS SITTING AT HOME!

AT HOME? WHEN YOU COULD BE HAVING DINNER WITH ME? I WON'T HEAR OF IT! LET'S GO!

I...I SHOULDN'T BUT...I SUPPOSE IT COULD BE ALL RIGHT, JUST THIS ONCE!

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I HAD LIKED FRED BEALE, THE NEW SALESMAN IN OUR OFFICE, FROM THE FIRST TIME I HAD SEEN HIM! HE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT RUSH, AND EXCITED BY THE PROSPECT OF A GAY EVENING, I DIDN'T TELL HIM MY STORY!



YOU'LL LOVE THE CZARDAS! FOOD'S TERRIBLE, SERVICE IS WORSE, BUT THE ATMOSPHERE! AH!

NOTHING LIKE A HEAPING PLATE OF ATMOSPHERE WHEN YOU'RE STARVED, I ALWAYS SAY!



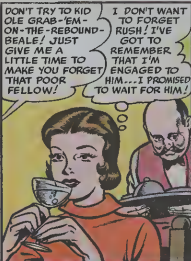
YOU KNOW SOMETHING? YOU'RE FUN! AND I HAD YOU PEGGED AS THE OFFICE GLOOM GIRL!

I GUESS I HAVEN'T BEEN THE VIVACIOUS SECRETARY LATELY!



I KNOW! YOU'RE RECOVERING FROM AN UNHAPPY LOVE AFFAIR! THAT'S WHERE I SPECIALIZE!

NO, NO, IT'S NOTHING LIKE THAT! I... I...!



DON'T TRY TO KID OLE GRAB-'EM-ON-THE-REBOUND-BEALE! JUST GIVE ME A LITTLE TIME TO MAKE YOU FORGET THAT POOR FELLOW!

I DON'T WANT TO FORGET RUSH! I'VE GOT TO REMEMBER THAT I'M ENGAGED TO HIM... I PROMISED TO WAIT FOR HIM!

But IT WASN'T EASY TO LISTEN TO MY CONSCIENCE! FRED'S CAREFREE PERSONALITY AND MY HUNGER FOR LAUGHTER AND CONVERSATION SWEEP ME OFF MY FEET!



GLAD I TALKED YOU OUT OF GOING HOME TO BROOD?

OF COURSE I AM, FRED! I'M HAVING A WONDERFUL TIME!

And ON THE WAY HOME THAT EVENING...

DON'T THINK I'M BEING FRESH, BETTY! I FEEL AS THOUGH I'VE DISCOVERED WHAT I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR ALL MY LIFE! AS THOUGH THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING...

FRED, YOU... YOU MUSTN'T!



EVERY NERVE IN MY BODY RESPONDED TO FRED'S DEMANDING KISS! MEMORIES, CONSCIENCE, DUTY... WHAT DID THEY MEAN AS I THRILLED TO THE TREMENDOUS ECSTASY OF FRED'S STRONG ARMS CRUSHING ME CLOSER TO HIM!



I'VE NEVER KNOWN ANYTHING LIKE THIS! PERHAPS I'VE NEVER KNOWN LOVE BEFORE!

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Each
TIME I
THOUGHT
OF RUSH,
GUILT
STABBED
MY HEART
LIKE A
CRUEL
KNIFE! BUT
THERE WAS
NO RESISTING
FRED...
AND WEEKS
LATER, IT
WAS NO
SURPRISE
WHEN...



I KNOW THIS WILL
SEEM IMPULSIVE
AND SUDDEN BETTY,
BUT I'VE GIVEN IT
A LOT OF THOUGHT.

YES,
FRED?



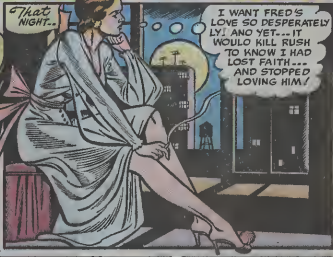
IT'S INEVITABLE, SWEET! I
WANT YOU TO MARRY
ME!

I...I
DON'T
KNOW WHAT
TO SAY!

SAY YES, BETTY!
I'M CRAZY ABOUT
YOU AND...YOU DO
LOVE ME, DON'T
YOU?

YES! YES, I LOVE
YOU, FRED, BUT...
I CAN'T DECIDE
WHAT TO DO ON THE
SPUR OF THE MOMENT.
LET ME HAVE A LITTLE
TIME...TO THINK.

That
NIGHT...



I WANT FRED'S
LOVE SO DESPERATELY
LY! AND YET... IT
WOULD KILL RUSH
TO KNOW I HAD
LOST FAITH...
AND STOPPED
LOVING HIM!

To
CHOOSE
BETWEEN
SYMPATHY
AND LOVE!
HOW MANY
TIMES A
WOMAN HAS
FACED THAT
PROBLEM, AND
FOUND IT
IMPOSSIBLE
TO MAKE HER
DECISION!
I COULDN'T!
AND AS
A RESULT...

I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOU,
BETTY! IF YOU HONESTLY
LOVED ME, THERE'D BE NO
HESITATION!
WE'D BE MARRIED
TODAY!

PLEASE, FRED!
GIVE ME A FEW
MORE DAYS TO
DECIDE!



And FINALLY...

FRED, YOU'VE
BEEN AVOIDING
ME! YOU...
HARDLY SPEAK
TO ME ANY-
MORE!

I THINK
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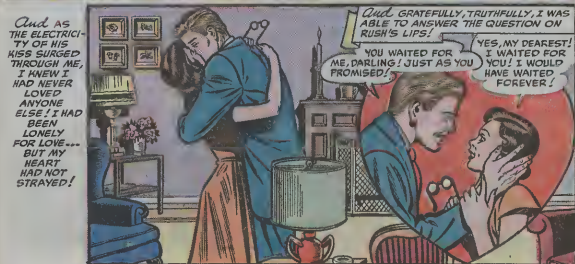
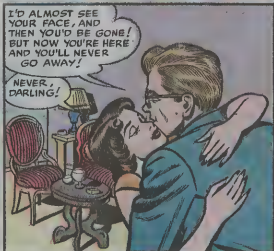
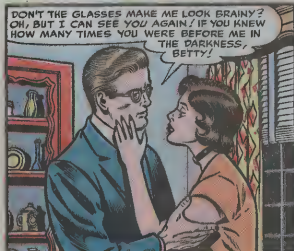
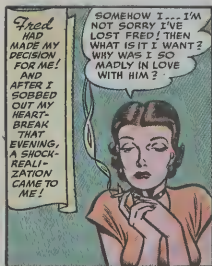


I LOVE YOU, BUT I'M NOT
GOING TO BE DANGLED ON
A STRING! YOU EITHER
LOVE ME OR YOU DON'T...
AND I THINK THE ANSWER
IS OBVIOUS!

YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND FRED!
I...SOB! OH, WHAT'S
THE USE?



LOVE CONFESSIONS

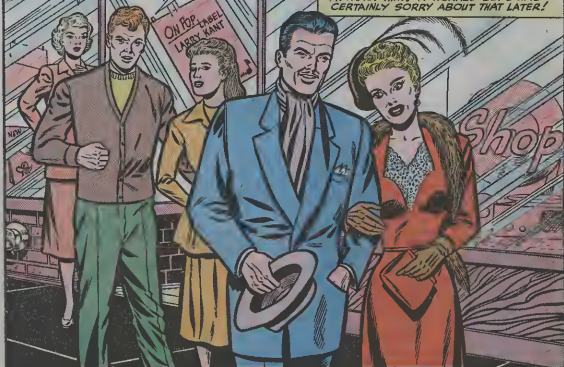


BE YOUR AGE

GET A LOAD
OF SHELBY LEWIS!
SOME GLAMOR GAL,
HUH?

YEAH! SHE
USED TO BE
JUST ONE OF
US! AND MY
GIRL!

BEING BARELY SEVENTEEN HAD SEEMED ALL RIGHT UNTIL I SAW WALLY BYERS AND FELL SECRETLY IN LOVE WITH HIM! I KNEW HE'D NEVER TAKE A SECOND LOOK AT ANYONE AS YOUNG AS I SO I DRESSED AND ACTED OLDER TO ATTRACT HIM! IT WORKED BUT I WAS CERTAINLY SORRY ABOUT THAT LATER!



It
BEGAN
THE SAME
DAY AS
SUMMER
VACATION!
I COULD
HARDLY
WAIT
FOR
DON
FOSTER,
MY
BOY
FRIEND,
TO COME
BY!

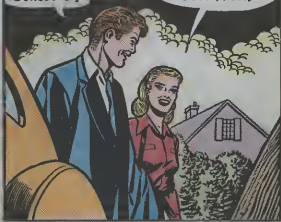
HI, SHELBY! WANT TO
DROP DOWN TO THE
CORNER FOR A SODA?

SURE THING!
LET'S GO!

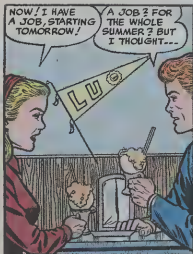


YOU'RE ALL SMILES
TODAY! WHAT GIVES
GORGEOUS?

SOME NEWS! I'LL
TELL YOU OVER THE
SODA, DON!

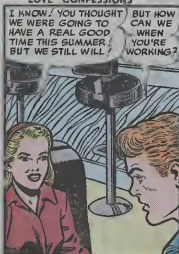


LOVE CONFESSIONS



NOW! I HAVE A JOB, STARTING TOMORROW!

A JOB? FOR THE WHOLE SUMMER? BUT I THOUGHT---



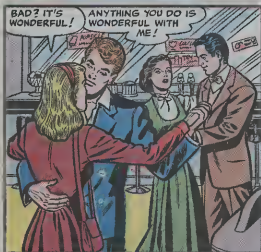
I KNOW! YOU THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE A REAL GOOD TIME THIS SUMMER BUT WE STILL WILL!

BUT HOW CAN WE WHEN YOU'RE WORKING?



BECAUSE I'M GOING TO BE SELLING IN THE RECORD SHOP! AND YOU CAN COME IN AS OFTEN AS YOU LIKE TO LISTEN TO NEW RELEASES!

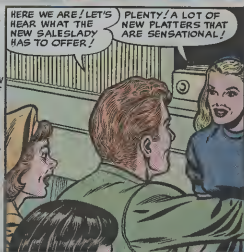
THEN I GUESS THAT WON'T BE BAD!



BAD? IT'S WONDERFUL!

ANYTHING YOU DO IS WONDERFUL WITH ME!

DON'T THOUGHT A LOT OF ME! REALLY MORE THAN I DID OF HIM! WE WENT WITH A GOOD CROWD, TOO! AND, THE NEW JOB REALLY SET ME UP IN IMPORTANCE!



HERE WE ARE! LET'S HEAR WHAT THE NEW SALESLADY HAS TO OFFER!

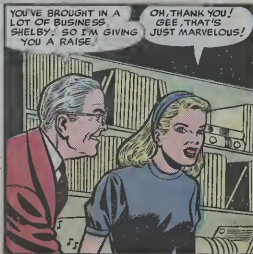
PLENTY! A LOT OF NEW PLATTERS THAT ARE SENSATIONAL!



RIGHT THIS WAY TO THE PLAYERS! THEN I'LL PICK OUT SOME THINGS YOU'LL LIKE!

MAYBE YOUR JOB WILL WORK OUT OKAY AFTER ALL

It DID! MY FRIENDS BOUGHT WHAT THEIR BUDGETS WOULD ALLOW AND IT ADDED UP TO SUCCESS FOR ME! THE MANAGER, MR. KELSEY, WAS PRETTY PLEASED!

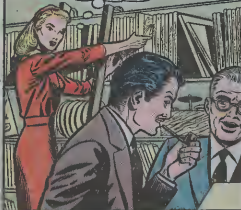


YOU'VE BROUGHT IN A LOT OF BUSINESS SHELBY, SO I'M GIVING YOU A RAISE!

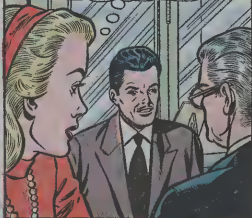
OH, THANK YOU! GEE, THAT'S JUST MARVELOUS!

I WAS DOING WELL AND WAS HAPPY UNTIL ONE DAY WHEN I SAW MR. HELSEY WAITING ON A CUSTOMER! I HAD TO CATCH MY BREATH TO KEEP FROM GASPING OUT LOUD!

HE'S THE HANDSOMEST MAN I EVER SAW! THE SORT OF MAN I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED OF MEETING!



I'D LIKE TO HAVE HIM LOOK AT ME! MAYBE... IF HE DID...



IF HE DID! OR IF HE WOULD! ALL KINDS OF IDEAS WENT SKIMMING THROUGH MY MIND! IDEAS THAT WERE STRICTLY ON THE ROMANTIC SIDE! AFTER HE LEFT...

MR. HELSEY, WHO WAS THAT MAN?
WALLY BYERS, THE DISC JOCKEY!
QUITE A BOY ABOUT TOWN AND ONE OF OUR BEST CUSTOMERS!



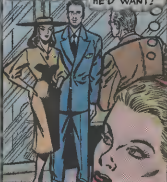
HE'S BEEN AWAY ON A VACATION SO THAT'S PROBABLY THE REASON YOU HAVEN'T SEEN HIM! BUT WHEN HE COMES IN, BE NICE TO HIM!

DON'T WORRY! I WILL!



THE NEXT DAY...

THERE HE IS AGAIN, BUT WITH A BEAUTIFUL GIRL! SHE'S OLDER AND MORE SOPHISTICATED! NATURALLY THAT'S WHAT HE'D WANT!



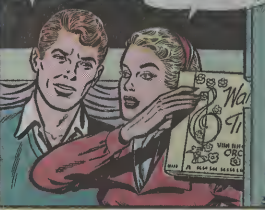
I GUESS HE WOULDN'T BE INTERESTED IN A GIRL WHO'S JUST TURNED SEVENTEEN, LIKE ME!

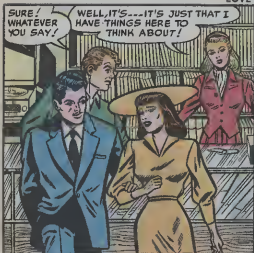
GOIN' TO
A STA
YOU ARE
MINE
KSIDE RECO



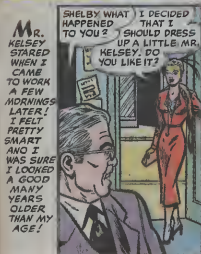
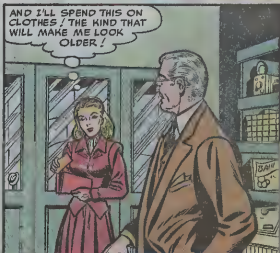
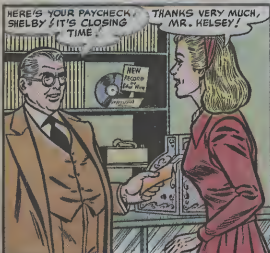
SHELBY, JUST THOUGHT I'D STOP BY TO SEE HOW YOU'RE DOING!

FINE, DON! ONLY I HAVEN'T TIME TO TALK TO YOU NOW! SEE YOU SOME OTHER TIME!

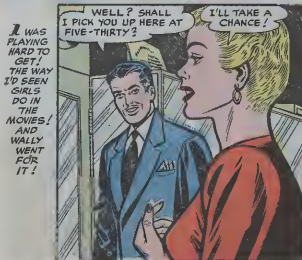
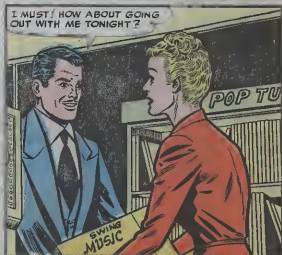
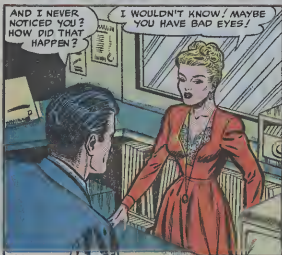
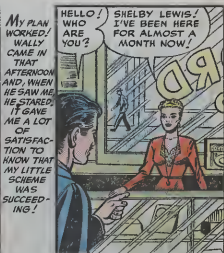




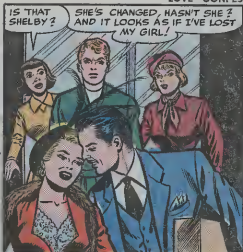
BUT WHAT I WAS THINKING COULDN'T HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED BUSINESS! I WAS THINKING ABOUT WALLY BYERS AND THE WAY I COULD ATTRACT HIS ATTENTION! AND THAT'S WHAT I WAS DETERMINED TO DO!



LOVE CONFESSIONS



9
I WAS
EXUBERANT
ALL DAY,
COUNTING
THE
MINUTES
UNTIL TIME
FOR MY
DATE WITH
WALLY!
NOTHING
ELSE
MATTERED
TO ME THEN!
NOT EVEN
MY OLD
FRIENDS!
AS WE
WALKED
FROM THE
SHOP!



IS THAT
SHELBY?

SHE'S CHANGED, HASN'T SHE?
AND IT LOOKS AS IF I'VE LOST
MY GIRL!

IF SHE'S THAT WAY,
I'D SAY GOOD
RIDDANCE!

AND I AGREE! IF I DID
ANYTHING LIKE THAT, MY
MOTHER WOULD GIVE
ME THE DICKENS!



I HEARD
WHAT THEY
SAID!
BUT I
DIDN'T HAVE
A MOTHER
TO SET ME
STRAIGHT!
AND DAD
WORKED
NIGHTS SO
HE DIDN'T
KNOW
WHAT I
WAS
DOING!
BUT I WENT
IN OVER
MY HEAD!
FINALLY....

IT'S BEAUTIFUL
HERE! AND THE
MUSIC'S FINE!

AND HERE
ARE OUR
DRINKS!
AND THIS
IS OUR
NIGHT!



WE'LL HAVE
FUN, WON'T
WE?

YES, WALLY, WE
WILL! ONLY I
DON'T CARE FOR
THIS! CAN WE
DANCE?



YOU'RE OKAY,
SWEETHEART!
YOU FIT RIGHT
INTO MY ARMS!

I GUESS I
DO! I...



LET'S LEAVE THIS PLACE, HUH?
WE'LL DRIVE TO A BETTER PLACE
FOR DINNER!

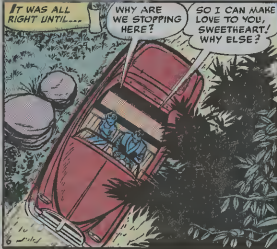
WHATEVER YOU
SAY, WALLY! IT'S
ALL RIGHT WITH
ME!



IT WAS ALL
RIGHT UNTIL....

WHY ARE
WE STOPPING
HERE?

SO I CAN MAKE
LOVE TO YOU,
SWEETHEART!
WHY ELSE?



LOVE CONFESSIONS



WHY DO YOU
PRETEND TO BE
SO NAIVE, BABY?
YOU'VE BEEN
AROUND!

BUT I
HAVEN'T!
REALLY
I HAVEN'T,
WALLY!



BUT IF YOU
REALLY
LOVE ME...

LOVE YOU? ARE
YOU CRAZY? OF
COURSE, I DON'T
LOVE YOU! WHY?

I WAS
ANGRY
AT FIRST
AND THEN I
STARTED
TO CRY!
WHEN I
DID THAT,
WALLY
TOOK ME
IN HIS
ARMS
AND COM-
FORTED ME!
HE WAS
REALLY
NOT THE
WOLF HE
TRIED
TO BE!



I DECEIVED
YOU, I
DRESSED TO
LOOK OLDER
THAN I AM,
I'M JUST
SEVENTEEN!
ONLY...

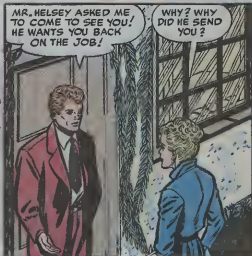
ONLY YOU'RE
TRYING TO
BE A BIG-
SHOT, A
GLAMOR
GAL! YOU'RE
ACTING LIKE A
WOMAN OF THE
WORLD WHEN
YOU'RE STILL JUST
A KID!



SO MOP UP, AND LET UNCLE
WALLY GIVE YOU A LITTLE
WISE ADVICE! BE YOUR AGE!
I DIDN'T REALIZE I WAS
GOING OUT WITH A CHILD!

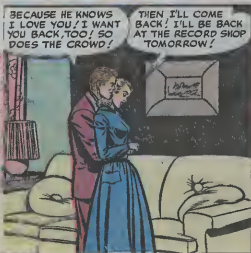
TAKE ME HOME
THEN! RIGHT
AWAY!

I
WEPT
FOR
FULLY
THREE
DAYS! I
FELT LIKE A
KID WHO
HAD BEEN
THOROUGHLY
SPANKED!
THEN
ON THE
FOURTH
DAY...



MR. HELSEY ASKED ME
TO COME TO SEE YOU!
HE WANTS YOU BACK
ON THE JOB!

WHY? WHY
DID HE SEND
YOU?



BECAUSE HE KNOWS
I LOVE YOU, I WANT
YOU BACK, TOO! SO
DOES THE CROWD!

THEN I'LL COME
BACK! I'LL BE BACK
AT THE RECORD SHOP
TOMORROW!



AND YOU'LL BE
MY GIRL, AGAIN?

YES, DON! NOW I
WANT TO BE YOUR
GIRL FOREVER!

And
I WILL BE!
DON AND I
WERE
MARRIED
WHEN HE
WAS IN
COLLEGE!
AND WE'VE
WORKED
THINGS
OUT
TOGETHER!
ALL BECAUSE
WE ARE IN
LOVE!
AND
BECAUSE I
WENT BACK
TO BEING
MY OWN
AGE!

Dream Regained

WHEN the year's final class bell sounded, Avis Martin gave a last dab to her lipstick and settled back in her desk chair to begin the breathless five-minute wait that took place each day. As she sat, she pictured Bert Powers making his way through the throngs of young boys which crowded the halls of Ferris Boys' School. Bert was tall and darkly handsome, everything she didn't expect a staid teacher to be in appearance.

"Who would have thought that I'd meet my dream here in the President's office," she thought happily, "and Bert's so serious-minded, in spite of his good looks. He's just the type I've always hoped to find for a husband."

Avis and Bert had met when she had come to work as secretary to the President of the school and her heart had done flip-flops that very first time. For two years they'd seen each other daily and while their talk had been largely school talk, their evenings were full of romantic promise. And now that Bert was head of the English Department, Avis felt sure his proposal was not far off.

"Well, little Miss Dreamer, where's the smile you've been saving for me?" Avis' reverie was interrupted by Bert's greeting as he came in the door. She snapped back to reality, but before she replied, she noticed that Bert was already lost in thought.

"What's wrong, Bert," she queried, "another Peck's Bad Boy giving you trouble?"

"You hit it exactly that time, Avis," he said, "it's young Charles Peck in English Four. He's most unmanageable. I've asked his older brother to meet me here this afternoon."

"Isn't his brother, Kelly Peck, the band leader?"

"That's right," replied Bert, "I suppose we can't expect too much of the boy when he's got a hep artist for a guardian." Avis didn't comment. That was one thing she and Bert couldn't honestly agree about. Among the many classical recordings that Bert had given her, were records of Kelly Peck's hot music which Avis enjoyed during the lonely hours when Bert was studying or writing to far tands in search of a teaching job abroad.

"I wonder what Kelly Peck is really like," she said thoughtfully. "He's a jived-up egotist who talks like a riveting machine," replied Bert acidly.

At that moment the door opened and in walked the complete opposite of Bert's description. He was appealing in an athletic way, conservatively dressed, and he had a whimsical, little boy look that attracted Avis on sight. Evidently Bert didn't share her views, however, because to Avis' surprise, he spoke abruptly and even unkindly. "Glad you found time to see me about your brother, Mr. Peck," he snapped. "Our phone conversation was hardly satisfactory with all that tinny music clanging in the background."

Kelly Peck answered with a good-natured chuckle, "That tinny music is what makes it possible for Charlie to attend a fine school like Ferris, Mr. Powers." With that, he turned and offered his hand to Avis, saying, "I saw your name on the door, Miss Martin. I'm Kelly Peck and very happy to meet you."

Avis was struck by the kind, friendliness of Kelly Peck and though she turned back to her work, as the men talked, she couldn't help but listen to their conversation. Bert seemed harsh in his judgement of Kelly's brother even though Kelly told him of their parents' recent death in a tragic auto accident and of how he had given up a promising career as a concert pianist for the more lucrative job as leader of the nation's fastest rising dance band. "Actually," she thought, "these men are quite similar. One plans to spread learning in a foreign land and the other is sacrificing his future in good music in order to provide for the younger brother."

Later, when Bert left to answer a phone call in the next office, Kelly turned to Avis and told her at length of the raves he'd had about her from his brother. "In fact," said Kelly, "he says if you weren't so sold on the professor, he'd want someone like you for a sister-in-law, and I'm inclined to agree." Avis was pleasantly startled by Kelly's remark but before she could reply, Bert rushed into the room, and, in a few curt words, terminated their interview.

Bert was obviously anxious to talk and Kelly had barely left the office when the phone rang. "Miss Martin, I'm on the hall phone. Thought I'd better warn you that I'll be calling tonight to see if, by a happy chance, my kid brother was wrong and you're not sold on an academic future," said Kelly's voice. The phone clicked into silence.

"That was Kelly Peck, he—" started Avis, but before she could finish, Bert blurted out his news. He had the answer to his months of planning. He was going to France to teach. As he talked on about himself, Avis' first thrilled excitement at his news dwindled to a cold lump of doubt that became a reality with Bert's final words. "Of course, I'll miss Ferris and you, Avis, but we can write, and in a few years I'll be back and we can see each other again." Not a word about the proposal Avis had come to expect. "And, Avis," said Bert as he started to go, "we'd better cancel our date for tonight, I'll have to get things in order, if I'm to leave next week. Of course, Bert," Avis answered dully.

That night when the phone rang, Avis was surprised at her unexplained thrill as Kelly's voice asked, "Have you got any time for a scholarly musician, Miss Martin?"

Avis had plenty of time for that Musician, and young Charlie Peck will soon have just the sister-in-law he wanted.

FLATTERY FED MY VANITY! I ADORED ATTENTION AND ADMIRATION FROM MEN!
AND I DIDN'T WANT ONE, BUT MANY! THEN I LEARNED WHAT LOVE MEANT AND
REGRETTED MY PAST AND THE FACT THAT

I Played The Field



I WAS BEAUTIFUL AND I KNEW IT! BUT I WANTED TO BE TOLD! OVER AND OVER! AND I WAS!



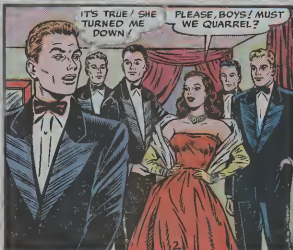
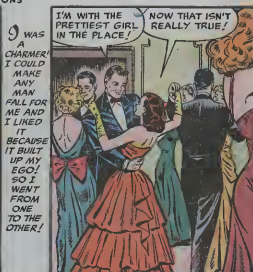
JILL, YOU'RE LOVELY!
YOU'RE WONDERFUL!

DO YOU REALLY
THINK SO?

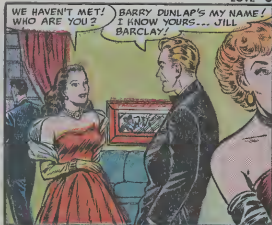


YOU KNOW
I DO!

LOVE CONFESSIONS

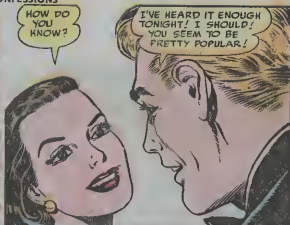


LOVE CONFESSIONS



WE HAVEN'T MET!
WHO ARE YOU?

BARRY DUNLAP'S MY NAME!
I KNOW YOURS... JILL
BARCLAY!



HOW DO
YOU
KNOW?

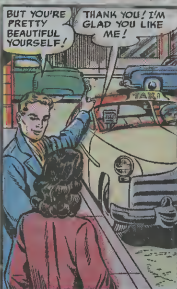
I'VE HEARD IT ENOUGH
TONIGHT! I SHOULD!
YOU SEEM TO BE
PRETTY POPULAR!

I
WAS
POPULAR ENOUGH!
BUT
BARRY
WAS NEW
IN THE
CROWD!
A NEW
CONQUEST!
I DIDN'T
REALIZE
THEN
WHAT HE
WOULD
MEAN TO
ME! OR
THAT HE
WOULD BE
THE CAUSE
OF MY
FIRST
HEART-
BREAK!
A FEW
NIGHTS
LATER...



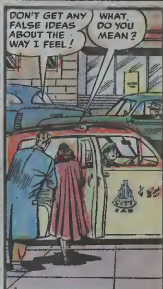
IT WAS A
BEAUTIFUL
PLAY!

YES, IT
WAS!



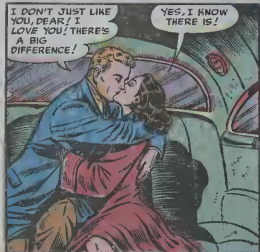
BUT YOU'RE
PRETTY
BEAUTIFUL
YOURSELF!

THANK YOU! I'M
GLAD YOU LIKE
ME!



DON'T GET ANY
FALSE IDEAS
ABOUT THE
WAY I FEEL!

WHAT,
DO YOU
MEAN?



I DON'T JUST LIKE
YOU, DEAR! I
LOVE YOU! THERE'S
A BIG
DIFFERENCE!

YES, I KNOW
THERE IS!

I
KNEW!
I KNEW
WELL WHEN
BARRY
KISSED ME!
IT WAS
LIKE
LIGHTNING
STRIKING!
IT WAS
UNEX-
PECTED
AND FAST
AND IT
SENT
FIRE
DARTING
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ME! WHEN
WE SAID
GOOD-
NIGHT...



MAY I SEE YOU AGAIN
TOMORROW NIGHT?

YOU MAY IF
YOU WISH!

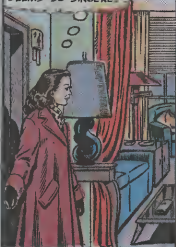
LOVE CONFESSIONS

I WISH IT VERY MUCH!
IT'S A DATE AT EIGHT!



No
ONE
HAD
EVER
ARJUSED
ANY
REAL
FEELING
IN ME
BEFORE!
BUT
BARRY
DID!
AND IT
WAS
SOME-
THING I
COULDN'T
EXPLAIN
---NOT
EVEN TO
MYSELF!

HE'S DIFFERENT / HE
SEEMS SO SINCERE



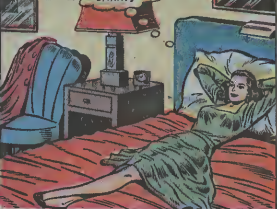
I BELIEVE BARRY'S THE KIND WHO
WOULD MEAN IT WHEN HE SAID
HE LOVED YOU! AND HE SAID
HE LOVED ME! MEN HAVE
SAID IT BEFORE BUT---



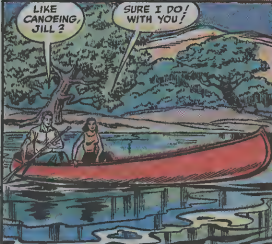
--- BUT NOT THE SAME WAY! OR
MAYBE IT'S SOMETHING ELSE!
MAYBE IT'S ME! IT MAY BE
THAT I HAVE FALLEN IN
LOVE!



AND I REALLY BELIEVE I HAVE!
I BELIEVE I'M IN LOVE WITH
BARRY!



Love
HAD
PLAYED
A SMALL
PART IN MY
LIFE! I'D
BEEN A
LITTLE TOO
COLD AND
CALCULATING
FOR THAT!
BUT IT
SEEMS TO
STRIKE WHEN
YOU LEAST
EXPECT IT
AND THAT'S
WHAT
HAPPENED
TO ME!
THE
NEXT
NIGHT...

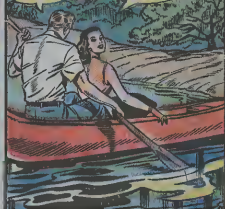


LIKE
CANOEING,
JILL?

SURE I DO!
WITH YOU!

THAT WAS A NICE
ANSWER! I LIKED
IT!

I'M GLAD! I
LIKE YOU,
TOO!



We
WENT ON
SHORE
AND
STOOD
THERE,
JUST SORT
OF STARING
INTO EACH
OTHER'S
EYES! WE
DIDN'T
SAY ANY-
THING
THAT MADE
SENSE, BUT
IT DIDN'T
MATTER
MUCH
BECAUSE
WE BOTH
UNDERSTOOD!

I'M GLAD I TOOK A JOB
HERE! BECAUSE I MET YOU!
WE WERE MEANT TO BE
TOGETHER!

WE MUST
HAVE BEEN,
BARRY!



I SUPPOSE I HAVE TO
TAKE YOU HOME! BUT I
DON'T WANT
TO!

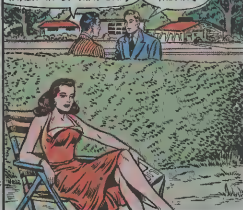
I WANT TO BE
WITH YOU
FOREVER!



For
THE FIRST
TIME IN
MY LIFE,
I MEANT
EVERY
WORD I
SAID!
I'D
PASSED
OUT A LOT
OF TRIVIAL
TALK
BEFORE
BUT I'D
BEEN TRUTH-
FUL WITH
BARRY! A
FEW DAYS
LATER, WHEN
I WAS SITTING
ON THE
LAWN...

COMING TO SEE JILL,
HUH, BARRY? DON'T BE
TAKEN IN BY THAT GAL!

WHY? WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?



YOU'RE NEW HERE BUT
THE REST OF US KNOW
THE BABE'S REPUTATION! SHE'S
OUT FOR FLATTERY AND
A LITTLE FUN! THAT'S
IT!

BUT JILL DOESN'T
SEEM LIKE THAT
SORT! SHE'S A
SWEET KID!



SURE SHE'S SWEET!
SUGAR MELTS IN HER
MOUTH! SHE'S A BEAUTIFUL
LITTLE FLIRT WITH A HEART
AS HARD AS STONE! SHE'S
PLAYED THE FIELD, PAL,
SO DON'T GET
STUCK!

THANKS
FOR TELLING
ME!

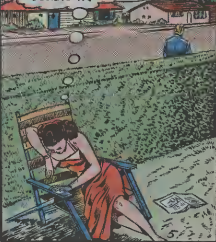


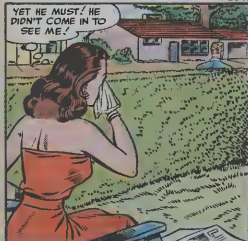
JUST THOUGHT YOU
SHOULD KNOW!
IT'S POOR POLICY
TO GET TANGLED
UP WITH JILL!

HE'S RIGHT!
I'VE DATED
A LOT OF BOYS!
I'VE MADE
THEM LOVE
ME!



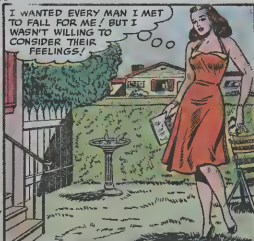
THEN I'VE DROPPED THEM!
BUT I HOPE BARRY WON'T
BELIEVE IT!





YET HE MUST! HE DIDN'T COME IN TO SEE ME!

Barry
DOESN'T KNOW TO THIS DAY THAT I OVERHEARD THAT CONVERSATION! BUT I WILL SAY THAT IT STARTED ME TO THINKING! I HAD BEEN VAIN AND CRUEL WHERE MEN WERE CONCERNED!

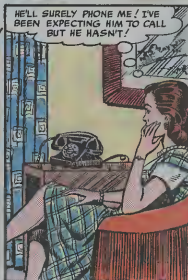


I WANTED EVERY MAN I MET TO FALL FOR ME! BUT I WASN'T WILLING TO CONSIDER THEIR FEELINGS!



NOW I KNOW WHAT LOVE MEANS! AND IF BARRY DOESN'T COME BACK, I'LL JUST ABOUT DIE!

Barry
CAME BACK THAT NIGHT BECAUSE HE WAS TOO KIND TO IGNORE OUR PREVIOUS DATE! BUT HE WAS COLD! AND AFTER THAT, HE DIDN'T CALL AT ALL! I WAITED!



HE'LL SURELY PHONE ME! I'VE BEEN EXPECTING HIM TO CALL BUT HE HASN'T!



THAT'S IT! IT MUST BE BARRY!

RRINNGG!



HELLO!

HI, GORGEOUS! THIS IS GLEN MITCHELL! HOW ABOUT GOING OUT WITH ME TONIGHT?



BUT I NEVER HEARD OF YOU!

ONE OF MY FRIENDS SAID THAT WOULDN'T MATTER! HE SAID YOU'D BE A GOOD GAL FOR A BLIND DATE!

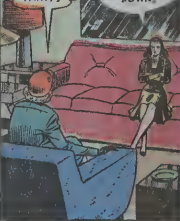
LOVE CONFESSIONS

WELL, YOU CAN TELL YOUR FRIEND THAT HE'S WRONG! I DON'T WANT A DATE NOW OR EVER!



I SAT AROUND AFTER THAT, HOPEING AND FEELING SORRY FOR MYSELF. GOSSIP GOT AROUND THAT I WAS CARRYING A TORCH FOR BARRY BUT HE WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT! ONE DAY A GIRL CAME TO SEE ME!

JILL, YOU CAN'T JUST SIT HERE! AND I WANT YOU TO COME TO MY PARTY!



WHY? YOU KNOW MY REPUTATION I'M LIVING IT DOWN!

YOU'RE GRIEVING ABOUT BARRY, AND HE'S BEEN GOING WITH ANOTHER GIRL! BUT YOU CAN'T SIT HERE AND DRY UP BECAUSE OF IT



ALL RIGHT! I'M WILLING TO AGREE WITH YOU! I'LL BE AT YOUR PARTY!

I DIDN'T KNOW THEN WHAT MY FRIEND WAS DOING BUT I LEARNED LATER THAT SHE HAD PLANNED THE WHOLE THING TO GET BARRY AND ME TOGETHER! WHEN I ARRIVED...

COME IN, JILL! GEE, HONEY, I'M GLAD YOU'RE BACK IN CIRCULATION AGAIN!



I'M NOT! I NEVER WANT TO SEE ANOTHER MAN AS LONG AS I LIVE!



NOT EVEN ME!

BARRY! I DIDN'T KNOW YOU'D BE HERE...

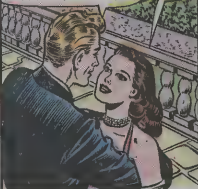
I COULDN'T FIND WORDS! I WANTED TO EXPLAIN TO BARRY! I WANTED TO TELL HIM THE TRUTH! BUT I DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE! BEFORE I KNEW WHAT WAS HAPPENING, I WAS WALKING WITH HIM ONTO THE TERRACE!

I'VE INQUIRED ABOUT YOU, JILL! I FOUND OUT A LOT OF THINGS, TOO!



I KNOW! I'VE BEEN WRONG, BARRY! BUT NOT WITH YOU!

THAT'S WHAT I MEAN! I'VE FOUND OUT THAT YOU LOVE ME THE WAY I LOVE YOU! WILL YOU MARRY ME, SWEETHEART?



YES, BARRY! YES, MY DARLING!



I'VE LEARNED THAT THE LOVE OF ONE MAN IS MUCH BETTER THAN THE FOOLISH FLATTERY OF MANY! THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO TELL YOU MY STORY!

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The same old family story — no dates, no parties, no invitations, just a Saturday stay at-home. And all because of a stupid skin condition.

An understanding mother tried in another boy's beloved feelings... explained to her that Pimples and Blackheads were all part of the story of "maturing", of growing up, but that other kids didn't have them... and what good was "maturing" if you couldn't have any dates or any dates.



A host of friends were free with plenty of advice. From soap and water to highly sophisticated soaps, cosmetics, lotions and salves. With each failure to reform her skin condition, came more misery, more loss of self confidence... more self pity... more broken feelings.



Her mother suggested X-ray as a final measure. But even X-ray didn't help. More discouraged than ever, she began to be restless of her appearance. Her school work suffered. It was heart-breaking to see her so utterly wretched.



But then the new school nurse suggested **VIDERM**. Tired here to try it on her mother. Well, might as well, she figured. The next morning before going to school, she applied her makeup over **VIDERM** (she noticed that her pimples and blackheads seemed hidden from view in a way). The fellows looked at her differently. She never smiled as she passed her in the corridor. Yet, while **VIDERM** Double Treatment would be healing her skin condition, it would be removing them at the same time. Thus, **VIDERM**. Now, that her face is in the class, Saturday night is the same old story.



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